CACCP

Confinement Analysis and Critical Control Points Approach to PMP Production

Confinement Analysis and Critical Control Points (CACCP)

- An approach to confinement of PMP material modeled on the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) approach used in the food and pharma industries
- Some common elements with other risk assessment/management methodologies such as Zurich hazard analysis

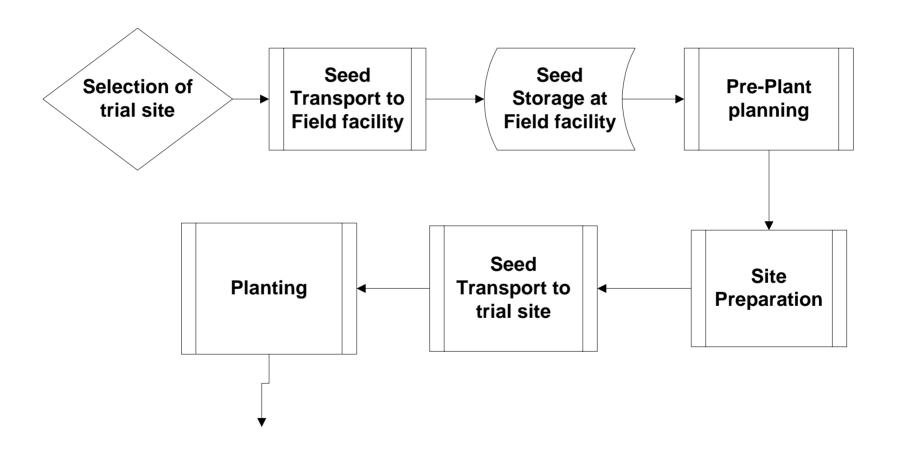
7 Principles

- Conduct loss of confinement analysis
- Determine critical control points
- Establish critical limits
- Establish monitoring procedures
- Establish corrective actions
- Establish verification procedures
- Establish record keeping and documentation

Overview of CACCP process

- Assemble CACCP team
 - Multidisciplinary group with specific knowledge and expertise relevant to product/process
- Describe product, distribution, intended use
- Develop Process flow map and verify
- The CACCP team analyses each of 20 high level operation steps of the process flow map from the perspective of the 7 principles

Process Map



Confinement analysis

- Identify loss of confinement scenarios/control measures for each step of process map
- Scenario evaluation-severity /likelihood
- Identification of process modifications/improvements
- Provides basis for identification of critical control points

Determine critical control points

- A step at which control can be applied and is essential to prevent or reduce loss of confinement
- Identified using decision tree
- Example: flowering step and possible loss of containment via cross-pollination

Critical process parameters

- Critical process parameter is a process parameter that must be maintained within proscribed limits (critical limits) to achieve the desired quality outcome
- There may be more than one CPP for a process step
- Examples:
 - isolation distance
 - Bee netting

Critical Limits

- Critical limits are upper and/or lower boundaries within which the CPP must be maintained
- Example: 200m minimum isolation distance

Monitoring procedures

• Critical control points must be monitored to ensure that process parameters are within the appropriate range.

Corrective action

 Predetermined response to deviation of Critical Process Parameter outside the acceptable range or lack of adequate control at a Critical Control Point

Verification

- Initial validation of plan to determine that it is scientifically and technically sound
- Periodic auditing to ensure plan is being followed
- Review of plan, CCP monitoring records and corrective action records

Record Keeping and Documentation

- Documentation should include:
 - Summary of the CACCP analysis
 - The CACCP plan
 - All records generated during operation
 - Monitoring record, corrective actions etc
 - place holder

Factors for success

- Commitment from management to the CACCP process
- Pre-requisite programs/ practices, examples
 - cGMP or other QA systems
 - Facilities standards
 - Supplier control
 - Cleaning and sanitation practices
- Education and training

Useful references

- "Hazard Analysis and critical control points principles and applications guidelines", National Asdvisory committee on microbiological criteria for foods (http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/~comm/nacmcfp.html)
- "HACCP: A process validation tool for ensuring quality of biotech and pharmaceutical products" Vega-Mercado et al, BioProcess International May 2003 pages 50-57